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When he is in Bangalore and has no special engagements, the Dewan will be glad to receive visitors in the Council Chamber of the Public Offices, between 3-30 and 5 P.M., on Thursdays, and at his residence, between 8 and 10 A.M., on Fridays, public holidays excepted.

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By Order,

K. R. SRINIVASIENGAR,

Secretary to Government,
General and Revenue Departments.

DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURE.

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The following revised rules for the award of Secondary School-Leaving Certificates sanctioned by Government are published for general information:—

RULES.

I. *To whom awarded.*—These certificates may be awarded on the completion of their school course to boys or girls who—

- (1) have attended one or more recognized secondary schools from at least the fourth form upwards,
- (2) have attended each of the fourth, fifth and sixth forms for not less than sixty per cent of the number of working days in each term and for not less than 120 working days in each school year, unless specially exempted by the Board, such exemption being however granted only in the case of candidates who have attended the school regularly, but whose attendance falls short of the required minimum by only a few days.

II. *By whom awarded.*—

- (1) The certificate shall be awarded by a Board consisting of the Inspector-General of Education as *ex-officio* President, six officers of the Government Educational service and six others, and the Secretary.
- (2) The members of the Board shall be appointed for a period of three years and shall be eligible for reappointment.
- (3) The Assistant to the Inspector-General of Education shall be Secretary to the Board.
- (4) The Board shall arrange for the award of the certificate in accordance with the provisions of the scheme.

III. *Scope of the certificate.*—The certificate shall take into account the school work done by the pupil from the fourth form upwards, and shall also contain the results of the Inspector's Examinations every year and those of the public examination conducted by the Board. It shall show exactly what subjects pupils have studied and discriminate fairly between one pupil and another as to the benefits each has received from the school course.

The subjects of study will be those specified in Group A and at least two to be selected out of Groups B and C, provided that in the case of candidates wishing to take up a collegiate course both the electives are from Group B. It is open to a candidate to take a supplemental course in any number to gain a supplemental certificate.

A. COMPULSORY.

1. English.
2. Second language: any one out of (a) Vernaculars: Kannada, Urdu, Tamil or Telugu, or (b) Classical: Sanskrit, Arabic or Persian.
3. Elementary Mathematics.

4. Elementary Science.
5. History of India—Elementary Survey.
6. Geography of the world—Elementary Survey, with special reference to the British Empire.
7. Sloyd or Drawing.
8. Athletics and games.
9. Music.
10. Needle-work and Dress-making.
11. Lace-work.
12. Domestic Economy.

For lady candidates who should take up the first six subjects, and any two out of subjects Nos. 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12, subject No. 8 being excluded.

B. (OPTIONAL).

13. One additional language:—

(a) Classical	...	...	...	(Sanskrit. Greek. Latin.	(Arabic. Persian.
(b) Foreign	...	...	...	French.	German.

14. History of England and the British Empire.
15. Physics.
16. Chemistry.
17. Botany.
18. Algebra and Geometry.
19. Trigonometry.
20. Hygiene.
21. Agriculture.
22. Commercial Practice and Geography.
23. Commercial Arithmetic and Book-keeping.
24. Short-hand and Typewriting.
25. Banking and Political Economy.
26. Precise Writing and Indexing.

IV. *Preparation of certificate.*—(1) The certificate shall be in the form shown in the appendix to this scheme. Every pupil on entering a fourth form shall be provided with a blank certificate to be kept in the custody of the school so long as he remains there, the entries in the certificate for each term being made in due course by the headmaster.

(2) The results of school work done shall be entered against each subject taught in the school in the form of the number of marks gained out of a maximum of 100 for each subject, except in the case of physical training, where a general remark will be entered.

(3) The certificate will also show the total number of marks obtained by each candidate at the end of the year in an examination conducted chiefly orally by the headmaster of the school and the Inspector of the Division, the help of the master in a special subject being called in, if necessary.

(4) The school work of a year in which the pupil is not promoted to a higher form shall not be taken into account; and no term certificate shall be accepted which is not gained in one and the same school.

V. *The Public Examination.*—(1) At the end of the course in the sixth form, the headmaster shall forward to the Secretary to the Board a list of names (the certificates following at the end of the term) of such of his pupils as wish to complete the certificates by appearing for the public examination conducted by the Board and as are, in his opinion, competent to appear for that examination.

(2) The certificate of no pupil shall thus be forwarded whose age is less than fifteen years unless the pupil will complete the age of fifteen years on or before the first day of the month in which the examination is to be held.

(3) A fee of Rs. 12 shall be sent along with each pupil's certificate.

(4) The Public Examination will be a Written Examination conducted by the Board and will include in addition to the selected subjects:—

A. English Essay (on subjects selected from Text-books), and Grammar, Phrase, etc., based on Text-books prescribed for detailed study.

B. Vernacular Essay (on subjects selected from Text-books in English or Second language).

(5) It will be held at such places and on such dates as may, from time to time, be notified.

(6) The marks obtained out of a maximum of 100 in each subject at this examination will be entered by the Board on the last page of the certificate and the Board shall also be competent to moderate the marks obtained in school work.

VI. *Award of the certificate.*—(1) The certificates thus filled in and completed shall be returned by the Board to the headmaster of each school for delivery to those who are leaving the school.

(2) The certificate of a pupil who is not, in the opinion of the headmaster, competent to appear for the Public Examination shall, if he is leaving the school, be endorsed to that effect over the headmaster's signature on the page relating to the term, column III, and then forwarded to the Secretary to the Board for inspection. When it is returned to the headmaster, it shall be handed over to the pupil.

VII. *Supplementary certificates.*—(1) If a pupil wishes to improve the certificate thus awarded to him, whether in regard to its quality in one or more subjects already brought up or by bringing up additional subjects under list B or C, he may go back to the same or any other recognized school and appear at a succeeding examination conducted by the Board in any subject or subjects in which the examination is held.

(2) There shall be no limit to the number of times which a pupil may thus be re-examined.

(3) The fee for the re-examination shall be Rs. 6 if the re-examination be in a subject or subjects in which a pupil has already been examined by the Board, and if otherwise, Rs. 3 for each new subject under list B or C.

(4) In either case, a further endorsement shall be made on the pupil's original certificate with regard to his progress in a manner similar to that laid down for the entries in the original certificate.

VIII. *Subsidiary Rules.*—The Board shall be competent to frame such subsidiary rules as it thinks fit for the estimate of school work done, the conduct of the Public Examination and other matters connected with the award of certificates subject to the provisions of this scheme. Such rules will be notified from time to time by the Inspector-General.

IX. *Transitory Rules.*—The scheme having been brought into force from the academical year 1912-13, the school work in connection with the Public Examination of 1914 shall cover only 4 terms, viz., 2 in the VI and 2 in the V Forms. Candidates of the VI Form of 1912-13, who could not appear for the Public Examination of 1913 will be allowed to appear for the Examination of 1914, provided they have kept 2 more terms in the VI Form of 1913-14.

By Order,

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